

MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 17, 2001

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: PHILIP SUNDERLAND, CITY MANAGER *PS*

SUBJECT: MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING
APRIL 30, 2001

ISSUE: Receipt of the City's Monthly Financial Report for the period ending April 30, 2001.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council receive the following Monthly Financial Report for the period ending April 30, 2001.

DISCUSSION: This report provides financial information on revenues and expenditures of the General Fund for the period July 1, 2000 through April 30, 2001. This report also presents revenues and expenditures for the same period for Fiscal Year 2000 for comparative purposes (Attachments 1 and 2) and provides a summary of selected economic indicators (Attachment 3). As of April 30, 2001, General Fund expenditures exceeded General Fund revenues by \$9.3 million. This is a normal situation that occurs this time of year because the City's revenues follow seasonal patterns (the City's real estate tax revenues are due in November and June), while expenditures are more evenly distributed.

REVENUES (Attachment 1): As of April 30, 2001, actual General Fund revenues totaled \$221.7 million, an increase of \$18.8 million, or 9.2 percent, as compared to revenues for the same period last year. Unless otherwise noted, revenue to date reflects normal trends and represents no cause for concern.

As discussed in last month's financial report and during the FY 2002 budget work sessions, projected positive variances (i.e., revenues in excess of original budget) were projected to be \$18.0 million. All of these funds have been previously earmarked for cash capital contributions to the FY 2002 to FY 2007 Capital Improvement Program, to balance the FY 2002 Approved Operating Budget, and to increase the undesignated fund balance slightly. The current revenue projections contained in this monthly financial report have not changed from last month's (March) monthly financial report.

Staff cautions that this preliminary projection is based on only ten months of activity, and staff will continue to monitor revenues and update projections on a monthly basis through the end of the fiscal year. This will be increasingly important given the general consensus opinion among economists of a slowing national and regional economy where labels of "recession growth" and "soft landing" are being applied by some economists. Also, as more of the Governor's announced budget reductions become clearer or if the General Assembly can reach a budget agreement, state revenue projections in subsequent Monthly Financial Reports may be changed by some yet unknown amount.

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The following chart and text describes the sources of the \$18.0 million in net positive variances:

FY 2001 PROJECTIONS (Amounts in millions)

	FY 2001 BUDGET	FY 2001 BUDGET PROJECTIONS	BUDGET VERSUS PROJECTIONS
Real Property	\$ 149.1	\$ 154.7	\$ 5.6
Personal Property-local share	32.6	35.3	2.7
Penalties and Interest	2.4	2.0	(0.4)
Sales Tax	20.1	21.0	0.9
Consumer Utility Tax	14.5	15.7	1.2
Business License Tax	17.7	19.8	2.1
Transient Lodging Tax	5.5	6.0	0.5
Restaurant Meals Tax	7.7	8.4	0.7
Motor Vehicle License	2.1	2.2	0.1
Recordation Taxes	1.2	1.9	0.7
Other Local Taxes	3.3	3.5	0.2
Intergovernmental	34.5	36.2	1.7
Licenses and Permits	3.8	4.2	0.4
Charges for City Services	9.3	9.1	(0.2)
Use of Money and Property	7.8	9.6	<u>1.8</u>
Total Variance			\$18.0
Variance projected in March Monthly Financial Report			<u>(18.0)</u>
Net change in revenue projections			-0-

Real Estate Taxes: Second half real estate property taxes were due November 15. Revenues to date total \$73.8 million and are \$4.7 million, or 6.8 percent, higher than collections at this time last year. As reported to City Council on February 16, the City's calendar year 2001 assessed real property tax base increased 10.06 percent. At the current rate of \$1.11 per \$100 of assessed value, staff estimates

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real property tax revenues will total at least \$154.7 million for FY 2001, an increase of \$5.6 million over the original budget estimate of a year ago, which was based on an estimated 5 percent increase in the calendar year 2001 real estate base.

Personal Property Taxes: The City's personal property tax due date for FY 2001 was October 5, 2000. Personal property tax revenue consists of both personal property (primarily vehicles) and business property (business machinery, computers and furniture). The FY 2001 Approved Budget includes a \$32.6 million for tax revenue collected directly by the City and an additional \$12.3 million of intergovernmental revenue that the City collects from the Commonwealth under the provisions of the Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998 (PPTRA). The State's share of the local personal property tax payment for FY 2001 is 47.5 percent of most taxpayers' payments. The State's share for FY 2000 was 27.5 percent. The total for all budgeted revenues related to the personal property tax for FY 2001 is \$44.9 million. This represented an estimated net increase in the FY 2001 tax base of five percent over FY 2000 before any tax changes. The City accelerated the depreciation schedule for business computers, reducing estimated tax revenue in the FY 2001 approved budget by approximately \$1.5 million, as well as changing the tax on pleasure boats to a nominal \$0.01 tax rate amount.

As shown in the following table, through the end of April, the City has collected \$34.7 million in personal property tax revenue. To date, reimbursement from the Commonwealth totals \$13.2 million, for total personal property tax receipts of \$47.9 million for FY 2001, \$3.0 million more than all budgeted revenues related to personal property taxes:

Personal Property Tax (in millions)	Total Actual FY 2000	Amended Budget FY2001	Actual to Date FY 2001	Projection FY 2001
City share	\$38.4	\$32.6	\$34.7	\$35.3
Commonwealth reimbursement	<u>6.8</u>	<u>12.3</u>	<u>13.2</u>	<u>13.3</u>
Total	\$45.2	\$44.9	\$47.9	\$48.6

Tax collections (including both the City's collections and the State's reimbursement) represent a \$3.3 million, or 7.0 percent, increase when compared to receipts collected at the same time last year. The average value of a new model vehicle increased by 4 percent to \$21,362 and the number of new model vehicles increased 14.4 percent to 4,714, or 4.9 percent of all vehicles. Staff estimates the cost of the new computer depreciation schedule will be \$0.5 million less than the \$1.5 million originally estimated. However, business investment in equipment subject to the personal property tax appears to be slowing. Based on these and prior year collection patterns, staff currently projects that total personal property collections will be \$48.6 million, comprised of \$35.3 million in local collections and \$13.3 million from the state. This is an increase of \$3.7 million (\$2.7 million in local tax collections and \$1.0 million

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in state PPTRA reimbursement) over the original budget, but \$0.5 million less than the FY 2001 projections reflected in the FY 2002 proposed budget. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will project adjustments, as warranted.

Penalties and Interest: Penalties and interest represent payment on delinquent taxes, primarily for real estate and personal property. Collections to date, in the amount of \$1.5 million, are \$0.5 million lower than collections at this time last year. Penalties and interest collections are highly variable, with last year's tax collection initiatives representing a very high collection year. Also, with decreased personal property tax bills due to the state-funded tax relief, more taxpayers are more likely paying their bills on time, which results in reduced penalties and interest. Based on collections to date, staff estimates FY 2001 penalties and interest revenues will total approximately \$2.0 million, which is \$0.4 million less than the original FY 2001 budget estimate. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will recommend adjustments, as warranted.

Local Sales and Use Taxes: Businesses remit sales tax to the Commonwealth within 30 days of the end of the month in which sales occurred. The Commonwealth sends the City its portion of the sales tax approximately one month later. The sales tax revenue represents sales activity for the months of July through February 2001. Revenues to date of \$13.5 million are \$0.7 million, or 5.8 percent, higher than collections at this time last year. This increase is primarily attributable to overall increased sales tax collections citywide. Based on collections through mid April, staff estimates FY 2001 sales tax revenues will total approximately \$21.0 million, which is \$0.9 million higher than the original FY 2001 budget estimate. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will recommend adjustments, as warranted.

Consumer Utility Taxes: Consumer utility taxes are collected by the utility companies one month after billing and are remitted to the City the following month. The consumer utility tax revenue in this report represents utility services provided to consumers through February. Overall utility tax revenue increases are primarily attributable to the steep cost increases of natural gas, additional households, primarily in Cameron Station, as well as the addition of second phone lines in more households to provide separate computer modem connections. It should be noted that the basis of taxation of natural gas and electricity changed statewide as of January 1, 2001 (as mandated by state law), and that these utility categories are now taxed on a usage, rather than a cost basis. Prior to January 1, 2001, the consumer utility tax was based on cost, and therefore as natural gas and electricity prices increased this past fall and winter, so did many tax bills. However, starting in January, when the calculation of these taxes switched from cost-based to usage-based, consumers saw a reduction in the amount of these taxes.

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City of Alexandria Consumer Utility Tax Receipts Through February 29, 2000 and February 28, 2001				
Utility	FY 2001 Year to Date Receipts	FY 2000 Year to Date Receipts	Increase/ (Decrease)	Notes
Telephone - Tax on Local Services	\$4,728,906	\$4,463,124	\$265,782	
Electricity	3,919,681	3,378,997	540,684	FY 2001 revenues include an additional month's receipts which were paid early.
Water	1,203,735	1,105,825	97,910	
Natural Gas	1,451,249	1,142,715	308,534	FY 2001 revenues include an additional month's receipts which were paid early.

Based on collections to date, staff estimates FY 2001 consumer utility revenues will total approximately \$15.7 million, which is \$1.2 million higher than the original FY 2001 budget estimate. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will recommend adjustments, as warranted.

Business License Taxes: The City's FY 2001 business license tax was due March 1, 2001. Collections as of April 30, 2001, in the amount of \$18.1 million, are \$1.0 million or 5.9 percent higher than collections at the same time last year. An analysis of the tax returns from businesses, which have reported their gross receipts on time, show an increase in gross receipts from the service sector of 4.4 percent, including an increase in gross receipts of professional services of 2.6 percent. We experienced a decrease in gross receipts of 10.2 percent from contractors, builders, and developers. City staff are contacting and may audit the gross receipts of the largest firms that show a significant decrease in gross receipts and taxes paid. Staff's current estimate for business tax receipts for FY 2001 is \$19.8 million, which is \$2.1 million over the approved budget amount, but \$1.0 million less than the FY 2001 projections reflected in the FY 2002 proposed budget. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will recommend adjustments as warranted.

Transient Lodging Taxes: Transient lodging taxes are remitted to the City within one month after collections; therefore, the revenue reflected in this report represents collections by hotels through March 2001. Collections total \$4.2 million, an increase of \$0.7 million over collections for the same period last year. This increase is primarily the result of additional hotel rooms. Based on collections to date, staff estimates FY 2001 transient lodging tax revenues will total approximately \$6.0 million, which is \$0.5 million higher than the original FY 2001 budget estimate. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will recommend adjustments, as warranted.

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Restaurant Meals Taxes: Meals and alcoholic beverage taxes are due to the City within 30 days of the month the sales occurred. Collections to date of \$5.9 million are approximately \$0.5 million, or 9.3 percent, higher than revenues for the same period last year. This increase is primarily attributable to the addition of new restaurants and timing in the receipt of taxes. Based on collections to date, staff estimates FY 2001 restaurant meals tax revenues will total approximately \$8.4 million, which is \$0.7 million higher than the original FY 2001 budget estimate. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will recommend adjustments, as warranted.

Recordation Taxes: Recordation taxes are collected as a percentage of the sales price for real estate transactions. Revenues to date, in the amount of \$1.4 million, are \$0.2 million, or 17.8 percent, higher than collections at this time last year. The increase is primarily attributable to lowering interest rates over the last several months which have caused an increase in the number of real estate transactions and refinancings. Based on collections to date, staff estimates FY 2001 recordation taxes will total approximately \$1.9 million, which is \$0.7 million higher than the original FY2001 budget.

Other Local Taxes: The \$0.4 million increase in this tax category is attributable to the E-911 tax rate increase in FY 2001 from 25 cents per line per month to a rate of 50 cents per line per month (\$0.2 million) and the collection of delinquent bank franchise taxes (\$0.2 million).

Revenues from the Federal Government: The City's General Fund revenues from the federal government are primarily for federal prisoner per diem payments. The City has billed \$3.7 million for housing federal prisoners through the period ending April 30, 2001; however, only \$3.3 million had been received as of April 30. The federal government generally pays the City for housing federal prisoners between 30 and 60 days after the end of the billing period. Billings since December 1999 reflect an increase in the reimbursement rate when the City renegotiated the contract with the US Marshal for prisoner cost reimbursement. This renegotiation resulted in an increase in the rate reimbursement from \$83.25 per inmate day to \$93.92 per inmate day, effective December 1, 1999. Based on collections to date, staff estimates FY 2001 Federal Government revenues will total approximately \$4.6 million, which is \$0.8 million higher than the original FY 2001 budget estimate. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will recommend adjustments, as warranted.

Revenues from the Commonwealth: Revenues from the Commonwealth increased \$10.2 million, or 58.6 percent, over the prior year. This is the result of budgeted increases in reimbursements from the Commonwealth for vehicle personal property tax relief. As discussed above in the personal property section, the FY 2001 Approved Budget includes \$12.3 million to reflect the City's reimbursement of the 47.5 percent vehicle personal property tax relief due from the Commonwealth to most vehicle owners. For FY 2000 the City was reimbursed for 27.5 percent for most vehicles. As of April 30, 2001, the City has billed and received \$13.2 million from the Commonwealth for PPTRA, an increase of \$6.4 million over that received in FY 2000. The remaining increase primarily represents a shift of revenues associated with the City's reimbursable highway maintenance program from the Special Revenue Fund to the General Fund as discussed in expenditures below. Based on collections

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to date, staff estimates FY 2001 revenue from the Commonwealth will total approximately \$31.8 million, which is \$0.9 million higher than the original FY 2001 budget estimate.

These revenue estimates reflect the assumption that the Governor's budget reductions will prevail and that the General Assembly will fail to reach consensus on the state budget for FY 2002. As a result, the following reductions are assumed: \$0.1 million in Law Enforcement Aid (HB 599), a \$0.1 million reduction in Compensation Board reimbursement, and a \$0.05 reduction in ABC and wine taxes remitted by the Commonwealth. It appears that other Commonwealth aid revenue categories will not be affected in FY 2001. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will recommend adjustments as warranted.

Licenses and Permits: Revenues to date, in the amount of \$3.5 million, are \$0.2 million or 5.6 percent higher than revenues at this time last year. Based on collections to date, staff estimates FY 2001 revenues from license and permits will total at least \$4.2 million, which represents an increase of \$0.4 million over the approved budget amount but is still \$0.2 million less than FY 2000 actual collections of \$4.4 million. Staff will continue to monitor these revenues and will recommend adjustments as warranted.

Use of Money and Property: Revenues to date in the amount of \$8.4 million are \$2.0 million higher than revenues earned at this time last year. The increase is attributable to an increase in interest earnings. Interest rates were higher than anticipated for the first half of FY 2001. In addition, the City issued \$55 million in general obligation bonds in June of 2000. \$32 million of these bonds were used to reimburse the City for capital expenditures made up to 18 months prior to the June issuance date. The remainder is being used to finance capital expenditures in FY 2001. This acceleration in the issuance of bonds compared to the prior City reimbursement practice has improved the City's cash flow and increased cash balances and interest earnings. In addition, interest rates at the beginning of FY 2001 were higher than FY 2000, as well as higher than they will be through the end of FY 2001. Based on projected cash flow, staff estimates revenue in this category will total at least \$9.6 million, which is \$1.8 million above the original budget estimate.

EXPENDITURES (Attachment 2): As of April 30, 2001, actual General Fund expenditures totaled \$230.9 million, an increase of \$6.0 million, or 2.7 percent, over expenditures for the same period last year. The relatively low increase as compared to last year is primarily attributable to the timing and amount of the cash capital transfer to the capital projects fund. Last year at this time the transfer, including a transfer from fund balance, was \$21.9 million. This year (solely from current year General Fund sources) it is \$9.8 million. Excluding cash capital transfers, expenditures for FY 2001 to date are \$18.0 million, or 8.9%, above FY 2000 expenditures for the same time period. This expenditure pattern reflects normal and expected activity consistent with the FY 2001 Approved Budget. Expenditure activities to date, where an explanation of variances is warranted, are discussed below.

Other Planning Activities: General Fund expenditures in this category reflect quarterly contribution payments (paid at the beginning of each quarter) to community and regional agencies.

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City Attorney: Expenditures to date reflect outside legal fees which are budgeted in a non-departmental account and charged to the City Attorney's Office. Staff will recommend an appropriations transfer in the context of the June transfer resolution to match expenditures with budget authority.

Registrar: Expenditures to date include overtime expenses associated with the Presidential election in November 2000, expenses for precinct election officials at the DMV co-location, and expenses related to the statewide primary election on June 12, 2001. Staff will recommend an appropriation transfer in the context of the June transfer resolution to match expenditures with budget authority.

Transportation and Environmental Services: The increase in expenditures in comparison to FY 2000 reflects a shift of reimbursable highway maintenance expenditures from the Special Revenue Fund to the General Fund. This change was made in the FY 2001 Approved Budget in order to reduce the complexities of administering this \$4.6 million annual program.

Transit Subsidies: Expenditures to date reflect the City's quarterly payments to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) for Fiscal Year 2001. The increase over the prior year is attributable to an adjustment to the City's budget structure starting in FY 2001 for total WMATA expenditures. Prior to FY 2001, some WMATA planned operating expenditures were budgeted and then expensed in the capital budget. These expenditures are now budgeted and included in the City's operating budget to more accurately reflect the City's share of WMATA operating expenditures.

Mental Health/Mental Retardation/Substance Abuse: Expenditures to date are normal and also reflect annual equipment replacement charges made at the beginning of the fiscal year.

Recreation: Expenditures reflect seasonal and overtime employee costs incurred during the summer and the purchase of supplies for the new Ramsay Recreation Center.

Debt Service: A portion of the increase in expenditures reflects the City's share of debt service, in the amount of \$256,070, for the Northern Virginia Transportation District bonds, issued in November 1999. The remaining increase represents scheduled increased interest and principal payments on the City's bonds, primarily for interest payments related to the \$55 million in general obligation bonds sold in June of 2000.

Non-Departmental: Increased expenditures in FY 2001 reflect budgeted expenditures for computer replacement and the public safety radio system maintenance expenditures .

Schools: The School Administration has reported \$96.2 million in expenses from all sources through April 30, 2001. The City's General Fund share of total School Administration budgeted expenditures is approximately 75 percent of the total expenditures. This percentage was applied to total school disbursements to estimate school expenditures to date in the amount of \$72.1 million (i.e. 75 percent of \$96.2 million).

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Cash Matches (MH/MR/SA, Human Services, Library and Miscellaneous Grants): To comply with grant awards, the City's share funding is transferred from the General Fund to the Special Revenue Fund at the end of the fiscal year.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1 - Comparative Statement of Revenues

Attachment 2 - Comparative Statement of Expenditures & Transfers by Function

Attachment 3 - Selected Economic Indicators

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**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE PERIODS ENDING APRIL 30, 2001 AND APRIL 30, 2000**

	FY2001 APPROVED BUDGET	FY2001 REVENUES THRU 04/30/01	% OF BUDGET	FY2000 REVENUES THRU 04/30/00
General Property Taxes				
Real Property Taxes.....	\$ 149,135,000	\$ 73,789,539	49.5%	\$ 69,103,715
Personal Property Taxes.....	32,560,000	34,666,360	106.5%	37,895,258
Penalties and Interest.....	2,400,000	1,465,684	61.1%	2,009,020
Total General Property Taxes	\$ 184,095,000	\$ 109,921,583	59.7%	\$ 109,007,993
Other Local Taxes				
Local Sales and Use Taxes.....	\$ 20,085,000	\$ 13,459,867	67.0%	\$ 12,719,329
Consumer Utility Taxes.....	14,454,000	11,303,571	78.2%	10,090,661
Business License Taxes.....	17,725,000	18,101,853	102.1%	17,089,019
Transient Lodging Taxes.....	5,500,000	4,245,573	77.2%	3,585,825
Restaurant Meals Tax.....	7,690,000	5,918,223	77.0%	5,415,425
Tobacco Taxes.....	1,649,000	1,190,767	72.2%	1,247,001
Motor Vehicle License Tax.....	2,140,000	2,186,912	102.2%	2,119,053
Real Estate Recordation.....	1,217,000	1,441,710	118.5%	1,224,359
Other Local Taxes.....	3,329,000	1,572,646	47.2%	1,154,701
Total Other Local Taxes	\$ 73,789,000	\$ 59,421,122	80.5%	\$ 54,645,373
Intergovernmental Revenues				
Revenue from the Federal Government....	\$ 3,767,000	\$ 3,308,067	87.8%	\$ 2,408,071
Revenue from the Commonwealth.....	30,744,000	27,535,522	89.6%	17,365,436
Total Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 34,511,000	\$ 30,843,589	89.4%	\$ 19,773,507
Other Governmental Revenues				
Fines and Forfeitures.....	\$ 4,264,000	\$ 3,451,555	80.9%	\$ 3,332,458
Licenses and Permits.....	3,760,000	3,504,434	93.2%	3,317,856
Charges for City Services.....	9,342,400	5,700,480	61.0%	5,726,173
Revenue from Use of Money & Property.	7,759,950	8,385,001	108.1%	6,430,071
Other Revenue.....	359,000	423,006	117.8%	657,843
Total Other Governmental Revenues	\$ 25,485,350	\$ 21,464,476	84.2%	\$ 19,464,401
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 317,880,350	\$ 221,650,770	69.7%	\$ 202,891,274
Appropriated Fund Balance				
General Fund.....	2,921,512	-	-	-
Reappropriation of FY 2000 Encumbrances				
And Other Supplemental Appropriations..	4,121,761	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 324,923,623	\$ 221,650,770	68.2%	\$ 202,891,274

CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS BY FUNCTION
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE PERIODS ENDING APRIL 30, 2001 AND APRIL 30, 2000

FUNCTION	FY2001 APPROVED BUDGET	FY2001 EXPENDITURES THRU 04/30/01	% OF BUDGET	FY2000 EXPENDITURES THRU 04/30/00
Legislative & Executive.....	\$ 4,203,694	\$ 3,264,907	77.7%	\$ 2,894,989
Judicial Administration.....	\$ 23,958,836	\$ 19,404,457	81.0%	\$ 18,673,785
Staff Agencies				
Information Technology Services.....	\$ 5,781,367	\$ 3,777,088	65.3%	\$ 3,872,397
Management & Budget.....	965,347	469,650	48.7%	643,022
Finance.....	6,735,446	4,883,261	72.5%	4,693,601
Real Estate Assessment.....	910,639	704,878	77.4%	669,754
Personnel.....	1,896,859	1,449,664	76.4%	1,361,406
Planning & Zoning.....	2,155,181	1,522,255	70.6%	1,399,925
Other Planning Activities.....	1,817,168	1,708,574	94.0%	1,616,187
City Attorney.....	1,269,861	1,058,973	83.4%	927,551
Registrar.....	661,896	657,215	99.3%	499,050
General Services.....	8,795,826	7,041,288	80.1%	6,986,310
Total Staff Agencies	\$ 30,989,590	\$ 23,272,846	75.1%	\$ 22,669,203
Operating Agencies				
Transportation & Environmental Services.....	\$ 20,114,691	\$ 14,471,095	71.9%	\$ 11,769,996
Fire.....	23,286,365	19,116,860	82.1%	17,863,016
Police.....	32,980,915	26,465,533	80.2%	25,252,876
Transit Subsidies.....	3,515,994	3,424,518	97.4%	1,810,412
Housing.....	872,453	625,423	71.7%	635,623
Mental Health/Mental Retardation/ Substance Abuse.....	467,282	422,583	90.4%	419,706
Health.....	5,943,736	3,591,409	60.4%	3,400,915
Human Services.....	6,794,143	5,436,299	80.0%	4,820,544
Historic Resources.....	1,999,074	1,553,104	77.7%	1,584,209
Recreation.....	13,073,922	10,839,175	82.9%	9,667,282
Total Operating Agencies	\$ 109,048,575	\$ 85,945,999	78.8%	\$ 77,224,579
Education				
Schools.....	\$ 98,797,770	\$ 72,131,558	73.0%	\$ 67,226,964
Other Educational Activities.....	13,017	13,017	100.0%	13,120
Total Education	\$ 98,810,787	\$ 72,144,575	73.0%	\$ 67,240,084
Capital, Debt Service and Miscellaneous				
Debt Service.....	\$ 12,638,385	\$ 10,423,382	82.5%	\$ 8,686,043
Non-Departmental.....	7,430,486	3,667,662	49.4%	3,226,585
Cash Capital.....	9,846,000	9,846,000	100.0%	21,863,322
Contingent Reserves.....	-	-	-	-
Total Capital, Debt Service and Miscellaneous	\$ 29,914,871	\$ 23,937,044	80.0%	\$ 33,775,950
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 296,926,353	\$ 227,969,828	76.8%	\$ 222,478,590
Cash Match (Mental Health/Mental Retardation/ Substance Abuse, Human Services and Library) Transfers to the Special Revenue Fund.....	24,449,060	-	-	-
Transfer to DASH.....	3,548,210	2,955,659	83.3%	2,479,791
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS	\$ 324,923,623	\$ 230,925,487	71.1%	\$ 224,958,381

**CITY OF ALEXANDRIA
SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS**

	<u>Current Year</u>	<u>Prior Year</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
<u>Consumer Price Index (CPI-U)</u> for the Washington-Baltimore, DC-MD-VA-WV Area (As of March 31, 2001) (Source: Published bi-monthly by United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics)	109.7	107.1	2.4%
<u>Unemployment Rates</u> Alexandria Virginia (As of March 31, 2001) (Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics)	1.6% 2.4%	1.9% 2.5%	<15.8%> <4.0%>
United States (As of April 30, 2001) (Source: United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics)	4.5%	4.1%	9.8%
<u>Interest Rates</u> (As of April 30, 2001) Prime Rate Federal Fund Rate (Source: SunTrust Economic Monitor)	7.50% 4.54%	9.00% 6.00%	<16.7> <24.3%>
<u>New Business Licenses</u> (During April) (Source: Finance Department, Business Tax Branch)	102	67	52.2%
<u>New Commercial Construction</u> (As of February 28, 2001) Number of New Building Permits Value of New Building Permits (Source: Fire Department Code Enforcement Bureau)	61 \$104.0 million	34 \$96.0 million	79.4% 8.3%
<u>Residential Real Estate Indicators</u> (for the twelve months ended December 31, 2000) Residential Dwelling Units Sold Average Residential Sales Price (Source: Department of Real Estate Assessments)	3,449 \$229,424	3,430 \$234,789	0.6% <2.3%>